

DCCW Board Meets At Elmira Sunday Apr. 24

The city of Elmira will be the scene of the quarterly meeting of Rochester Diocesan Council, National Council of Catholic Women Sunday, Apr. 24.

Sessions will open at 2:30 p.m. in the lounge of Dunn Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Richard Lee Kalb, diocesan president, and the Rev. Albert Shamon, will preside.

All board members and directors are expected to attend this meeting and will register upon entering the session room. Directors are requested to send in excuses if unable to attend.

Rev. Joseph McNamara, Elmira Deanery Moderator, D. C. W., will open the meeting with prayer. A talk on "The Dynamic Council" will be given by Father Shamon, who will review the aims of the organization and its proposed new objectives.

In the afternoon from 3:30 to 4:45, the presidents of the seven deaneries will give their reports covering development within their districts from the October 1948 convention held in Rochester. The meeting will close with Benediction in the chapel at 4 p.m. Refreshments will be served later.

'Great Books' Meeting Listed

The "Great Books Movement," sponsored by the Rochester Public Library invites members of parochial organizations and church groups to attend a leaders' training course beginning next Tuesday evening, April 19 in Room 311 of the Rundle Memorial Library at 7:30 p.m.

The movement is a project of adult education through study and discussion of famous literary masterpieces. There are no fees for membership.

Hoping to provide leaders for new adult groups being established in church organizations to study the "100 Great Books" of the world's foremost scholars, a representative of the Great Books Movement from Chicago will lay out a training program at the introductory meeting, the library announced.

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Win Over 300 In Easter Egg Hunt



With the Rev. Valentine Jankowski, assistant pastor of St. Casimir's, Elmira are shown winners in the Easter Egg Hunt held last Sunday on St. Casimir's school grounds. The happy winners from left are: Patricia Sincov, John Brown and James O'Herron. Three hundred children and scores of spectators attended the hunt sponsored by the White Eagles Ladies Auxiliary.

Seminary Sets WVET Program

The sick and shut-ins may share the liturgy and music of Easter Sunday by tuning WVET (1280) from 9 to 10 o'clock Easter Sunday, April 17, for the full broadcast of the Solemn High Mass celebrated in the chapel of St. Bernard's Seminary.

The Rt. Rev. Wilfrid T. Craugh, Seminary rector, will be the celebrant. A special Easter program of music will be sung by the Seminary choir directed by the Rev. Charles J. McCarthy and a brief commentary will describe the ceremonies.

Mission History Recorded By Nazareth Tunnel Murals

The "underground Main Street" of Nazareth College campus is becoming an art gallery where a series of large murals depicting the religious history of New York State will brighten the path of students hurrying to classes.

Almost ready for unveiling next month is the second wall painting in a long-term student project to spread a mural history of Western New York over a 100 foot section of the walls of a tunnel connecting the college Administration Building with St. John Fisher Dormitory.

STUDENTS USE the tunnel for travel from dormitory rooms to classrooms and to meals during all inclement weather.

The new paintings, each 8 feet high and 9 feet wide, planned as an annual gift from the senior class of the college's art department, are expected to bring color as well as historical company into the formerly dark and lonely passage.

Depicting Kateri Tekakwitha, Mohawk Indian maiden baptized by Jesuit missionaries in 1674, the present fonda, N. Y., the newest mural is being painted by Martin Mori, senior from Buffalo, under the supervision of Sister Mary de Sales, S.S.J., head of the Art Department and Professor Walter K. Long of Auburn, instructor.

Flanking the Tekakwitha mural is a painting titled "Totiak" finished last spring by Mary Ellen Trescott and Mary Elizabeth Keegan, graduates of the art course in 1948.

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"Totiak," an Indian name meaning "at the end of the river," depicts Father Jacques Fremin, S.J., preaching to a group of Seneca Indians at a spot on Honeyoye Creek later named Rochester Junction near the present Honeyoye Falls.

Father Fremin, a native of Rheims, France, was the first white resident in Monroe County.

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Judge Tells HNS Legal Side Of Trial Of Christ

The legal aspects of the trial of Christ were discussed by Children's Court Judge Thomas B. Meagher in a talk before the members of the Holy Name Society of St. Salome's parish Sunday at a Communion breakfast.

About 150 men received Holy Communion in a body, at the 6:30 Mass and then adjourned to the school hall for ham and eggs, kuchen and coffee.

President Clement Becklage introduced the officers of the Society and the Rev. Edward Eschrich, pastor, congratulated the men on their large attendance. Judge Meagher was introduced by John J. Scully.

ANSWERING THE QUERY "Was the Trial of Jesus Christ a Fair One?" Meagher presented evidence that the trial was unjust, according to Mosaic Law. The manner in which the trial was conducted would certainly throw it out of court today for lack of evidence.

"Under Mosaic Law, a tribunal consisted of 73 people, 23 of whom constituted a quorum. If the tribunal was 100 percent in agreement for conviction, the defendant was freed of all charges. Therefore, the trial of Christ was unjust in that all were in agreement. Something was out of order as it created the impression that judgment was pre-arranged. Mosaic law says there must be some disagreement in order to obtain a conviction."

Our own present law requires 10 out of 12 for conviction or acquittal, he said. Christ was accused of sedition and of trying to set up a new order of government and brotherhood. This was thrown out and a conviction of blasphemy finally agreed on, because he admitted being the Son of God. "If the trial had been conducted under strict Mosaic Law," said Judge Meagher, "Christ would have been acquitted."

Closing remarks were made by the president on the necessity of monthly Communion to fortify Catholics, to combat the nefarious schemes against Christianity today.

'Lady of Fatima' Drama Hailed As Spiritual Force

Widespread enthusiastic praise for the excellence of the "Lady of Fatima" play, which concluded a 12-performance run at Mercy High School auditorium last Sunday night, was being received this week by the Rochester Diocesan Holy Name Union, sponsors of the production.

Extra performance Sunday night because of popular demand. So well was the play done that some persons went to see it a second and third time.

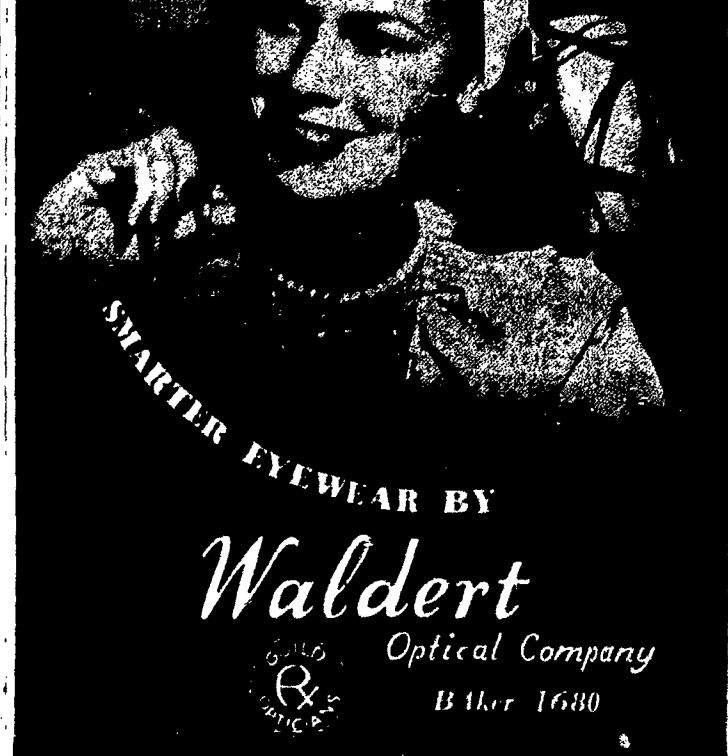
All parishes, organizations and individuals still having advance sale tickets in their possession were urged this week by Holy Name officials to make returns to the Holy Name Office, 35 Solo St. Hamilton 3430, as soon as possible.

Especially appreciated by the sponsors and cast was the commendation of His Excellency Bishop Kearney, who attended the Apr. 8 performance. In a brief speech at the conclusion of the show the Bishop commended both the Holy Name Society and the cast for helping increase devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and promoting recitation of the Rosary.

NEARLY 10,000 PERSONS, including nuns and school children, attended the eight evening performances and the four matinees. Although numbers at the first few performances were disappointing, attendance grew each night as word of the near-perfect performance spread.

Particularly pleasing to the sponsors were the capacity audiences of school children at the matinees. Observers agreed that the play was a most powerful instrument in giving them the story of Our Lady's apparitions at Fatima and her message to the world.

Originally scheduled to close a seven night run Saturday, Apr. 9, the play was extended for an



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St. Monica School To Be Blessed By Bishop On Easter

Blessing by His Excellency Bishop Kearney of the new wing of St. Monica's School will take place Easter Sunday, April 17 at 4 p. m. with parishioners and friends of the school participating.

Preceding the dedication will be a procession from the rectory on Monica St. to the main entrance of the school on Genesee St., according to the Very Rev. Gerald C. Lambert, pastor.

In line will be the St. Monica's school band, Boy Scouts, delegations of the Holy Name Society, the Rosary and Altar Society, Monicans, Legion of Mary and the Sodality.

ESCORTING THE Bishop will be priests of the diocese, diocesan officials, representatives of the diocesan school board and monsignori.

During the dedicatory ceremony, the Bishop will bless and erect the crucifix in the main school corridor.

The Bishop and party will return to the church to take part in the customary Miraculous Medal services after which the Bishop will speak on the occasion.

Costing in the neighborhood of \$300,000 the new school addition will be the fourth school to be blessed by Bishop Kearney during the present school year.

IN THE MODERNLY equipped and constructed buildings are 13 classrooms, included are a nurse's room, principal's office, kindergarten, lunch room, meeting room and scout room.

The new addition will provide a kindergarten, one first grade, one third grade, and two 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades. In the old school where the other grades will be conducted will also be a room for audio-visual education and the library. There are also two vocal rooms in the old school.

The portable structure now in front of the school's main entrance will be torn down.

With a registration of 900 pupils including 140 in the kindergarten and 140 in the first grades the school is taught by 20 Sisters of St. Joseph.

Bishop To Sing Pontifical Mass Easter Sunday

His Excellency, Bishop James E. Kearney will celebrate the Solemn Pontifical Mass in Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral, Sunday, as the central observance of the Easter feast in the Diocese of Rochester. The joyous liturgical service heralding the Resurrection will begin at 11 a. m.

Throughout the Rochester Diocese, Solemn High Masses will be celebrated and joyous Alleluias will be sung by the choirs as the triumph of the Savior over death is hailed.

At the Pro-Cathedral ceremonies, the Bishop will be assisted by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. George V. Burns, priests of the Cathedral staff and students at St. Bernard's Seminary.

The musical program will be in charge of Raymond G. Hansen, Auer of Aquinas Institute, faculty who will direct the Cathedral Men's Choir in the jubilant Easter hymns.

BISHOP KEARNEY will celebrate the Solemn Pontifical Mass of the Resurrection at 11 a. m. in the Pro-Cathedral on Good Friday and will preside at the Three Hours Service from noon until 3 p. m. in the Robert F. Schuch, C.S.B., Aquinas Institute, Director of Studies will conduct the services.

The Mass on Holy Saturday will be preceded by Blessing of the New Fire and of the Paschal Candle, by the reading of the Prophecies and the Blessing of Baptismal Water and Easter Water. These services begin at 7 a. m.

The Lenten Fast will end at noon on Holy Saturday but strict observance of rules of fast and abstinence is required of all persons on Holy Saturday morning.

District Meeting Set By Auxiliary

District No. 1 of New York Ladies Auxiliary, Knights of St. John will hold its second quarterly meeting in the Empire Room of Foyers Hotel Friday, Apr. 22 at 8:30 p. m. sharp. Mrs. Caroline Foster, president, requests that all representatives attend.

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